THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir. The rate of growth of industrial sector in 1993-94 was 3.3 per cent as against 3.3 per cent in 1992-93. During April—July 1994 the growth rate has been 7.9 per cent.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Targets for overall industrial production are not fixed on an annual basis.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Difference in approach on protection of SSIs

1392. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN:
SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any differences between Ministry of Industry and the Ministry of Finance on the issue of protection of the small scale;

(b) if so, the area of differences and final view on the policy towards promotion and protection of small scale sector;

(c) wheher there is any change in the policy of reservation of certain items for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector by providing concessional credit giving tax relief and lowering excise, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of other policy measures proposed to help the growth of industries in small scale sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Some of the policy measures announced on 6th August, 1991 are operationalised by way of plan proposals/schemes such as:

(i) Promoting development of infrastructure facilities in rural and backward areas.

(ii) technology upgradation.

(iii) setting up of new product cum process Development centres.

(iv) promotion of Entrepreneurship by expanding the Entrepreneurship Development programmes and strengthening of Entreprenurial Development Institutes.

(v) strengthening marketing support through promotion of ancillarisation and sub-contracting.

Development of leather industry

1393. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes formulated to improve and develop the leather industry and make it internationally competitive;

(b) the details of the international agencies assisting our leather sector and the nature of assistance being given by them;

(c) the details of production of leather industry during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) the details of average Foreign Exchange earned by leather industry in the country against export orders during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) (a) For the integrated development of the leather industry in India, a comprehensive scheme titled "National Leather Development Programme" has been drawn up by the Ministry of Industry and is being implemented with the assistance received from the United

Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

(b) A statement is appended. *(See below)*

(c) Detailed figures relating to production by leather industry are not available because of the widely dispersed nature of production units, in the country, which are mostly in the Small & Cottage sectors.

(d) The foreign exchange earned by the leather industry during the last three years are as follows:-

	Value in million Rs
	39762.39
1992-93	36999.39
1993-94	41393.34

Statement

Under the National Leather Development Programme International Collaborations have been established and implemented in the following areas :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Indian Institution	Name of the Foreign Agency	Subject
01	Footwear Design and Development Institute, NOIDA, U.P.	1. Melbourne College of Textiles, Australia.	Footw[illegible]
		2. Bally International Switzerland.	Establishment of International Standard Testing Centre.
		3. Atom-Vicam, Vienna	Computer Aided Design in Footwear.
		4. Textile Institute U.K.	Footwear Technology.
02	Central Leather Research Institute Madras.	1. Optimer Hungary	Foot Measurement for development of standard feet size for Indians.
		2. SATRA, UK	International Standard Testing Centre.
		3. British Leather Federation UK	Improvement of Harness Leather Processing.
		4. Al[illegible]	Upgraded training courses in manufacture of footwear, leather garments and leather goods.
03	Council for Leather Exports.	McKinsey & Co., USA.	Marketing & image building of Indian Leather Products in USA.
04	Prototype Development & Training Centre of National Small Industries Corpn. (NSIC), Madras.	Bruggi, Italy.	Development of Prototypes of machine for making unit soles.
05	Central Footwear & Training Centres, Madras and Agra.	Textiles Institute, U.K.	Upgraded Training course in Footwear Technology.